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Definitions - some of these are controversial since terms like "addict" or "addiction" are in many countries not politically correct - becoming for example "someone with dependency on

drugs" or "drug user".

Drug Addiction - physical or psychological need to take a drug (same as dependency)

Drug Addict - someone with an addiction

Drug Dependency - physical or psychological need to take a drug (same as addiction)

Substance abuse - taking drugs illegally or without medical supervision, or in the case of alcohol, consuming enough to risk physical or mental health

Drug user - taking drugs illegally or without medical supervision

Drug injector - someone injecting a drug

Drug - substance taken by the user for no medical purpose, in order to experience psychological or physical effects

Psychoactive - altering the mental state of the user

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